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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> <small>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</small>		<i>Attorney Docket No.</i> <b>99RSS268</b>
		<i>First Named Inventor or Application identifier</i> <b>DAVID C. BOIKE</b>
<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Assistant Commissioner of Patents Box Patent Application Washington, DC 20231		<i>Title</i> <b>SYSTEM INTERFACE ABSTRACTION LAYER</b>
		<i>Express Mail No.</i> <b>EL357887246US</b>

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1.  Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 (*submit in duplicate*)
2.  Specification [Total Pages: 31]
3.  Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets: 4]
4.  Oath or Declaration [Total Pages:   ]
  - a.  Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
*(for continuation/divisional with No. 17 completed)*  
*[Note No. 5 below]*
    - i.  DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5.  Incorporation By Reference (*useable if No. 4b is checked*)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under No. 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.  Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all necessary*)
  - a.  Computer Readable Copy
  - b.  Paper Copy (*identical to computer copy*)
  - c.  Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

8.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9.  Power of Attorney
10.  English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
11.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
  - Copies of IDS Citations
12.  Preliminary Amendment
13.  Return Receipt Postcard (*Itemized*)
14.  Small Entity Statement(s)
  - Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)
16.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>		Complete if Known	
<p>Patent fees are subject to annual revision on October 1.  These are the fees effective October 1, 1997.  Small Entity payments must be supported by a small entity statement, otherwise large entity fees must be paid. See Forms PTO/SB/09-12.  37 CFR §§ 1.27 &amp; 1.28</p>		<i>Application Number</i>	
		<i>Filing Date</i>	September 30, 1999
		<i>First Named Inventor</i>	DAVID C. BOIKE
		<i>Examiner Name</i>	
		<i>Group / Art Unit</i>	
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)				
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FEE CALCULATION				
1. Basic Filing Fee				
Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid	
\$760	\$380	Utility Filing Fee	\$ 760	
\$310	\$155	Design Filing Fee	\$	
\$480	\$240	Plant Filing Fee	\$	
\$760	\$380	Reissue Filing Fee	\$	
\$150	\$ 75	Provisional Filing Fee	\$	
<b>Subtotal (1)</b>			\$760.00	
2. Extra Claim Fees				
Claims	Extra	(below)	Fee Paid	
Total	39 -20** =	19	x \$ 18	= \$342
Indep.	5 - 3** =	2	x \$ 78	= \$156
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Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description		
\$ 18	\$ 9	Claims in excess of 20		
\$ 78	\$ 39	Independent claims in excess of 3		
\$ 260	\$ 130	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		
\$ 78	\$ 39	**Reissue independent claims over original patent		
\$ 18	\$ 9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent		
<b>Subtotal (2)</b>			\$498.00	

FEE CALCULATION (continued)				
3. Additional Fees				
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid	
\$ 130	\$ 65	Surcharge - late fee or oath	\$	
\$ 50	\$ 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	\$	
\$2,520	\$2,520	Request for Reexamination	\$	
\$ 110	\$ 55	Extension for reply within first month	\$	
\$ 380	\$ 190	Extension for reply within second month	\$	
\$ 870	\$ 435	Extension for reply within third month	\$	
\$1,360	\$ 680	Extension for reply within fourth month	\$	
\$1,850	\$ 925	Extension for reply within fifth month	\$	
\$ 300	\$ 150	Notice of Appeal	\$	
\$ 300	\$ 150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	\$	
\$ 260	\$ 130	Request for oral hearing	\$	
\$ 110	\$ 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	\$	
\$1,210	\$ 605	Petition to revive - unintentional	\$	
\$1,210	\$ 605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	\$	
\$ 430	\$ 215	Design issue fee	\$	
\$ 580	\$ 290	Plant issue fee	\$	
\$ 130	\$ 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	\$	
\$ 50	\$ 50	Petitions related to provisional applications	\$	
\$ 240	\$ 240	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	\$	
\$ 760	\$ 380	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	\$	
Other fee (specify):				\$
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